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"AN ACT CONCERNING THE OFFICE OF THE STATE BUILDING INSPECTOR."

1 After the last section, add the following and renumber sections and
2 internal references accordingly:

3 "Sec. 501. Section 29-292 of the general statutes is repealed and the
4 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2003*):

5 (a) The State Fire Marshal and the Codes and Standards Committee
6 shall adopt, promulgate and administer a Fire [Safety Code and at any
7 time may amend the same] Prevention Code utilizing NFPA 1 of the
8 National Fire Protection Association. The code shall be [revised not
9 later than January 1, 1987,] adopted not later than October 1, 2004, and
10 revised every four years thereafter to incorporate advances in
11 technologies and improvements in construction materials [unless the
12 State Fire Marshal and the committee certify that a revision is not
13 necessary for such purpose] and to enhance enforcement capabilities of
14 local fire marshals. The regulations in said code shall provide for

15 reasonable safety from fire, smoke and panic therefrom, in all
16 buildings and areas adjacent thereto except in private dwellings
17 occupied by one or two families and upon all premises except those
18 used for manufacturing, and shall include provision for smoke
19 detection and warning equipment in (1) residential buildings designed
20 to be occupied by two or more families, (2) new residential buildings
21 designed to be occupied by one family for which a building permit for
22 new occupancy is issued on or after October 1, 1978, requiring
23 equipment complying with the Fire Safety Code, and (3) new
24 residential buildings designed to be occupied by one or more families
25 for which a building permit for new occupancy is issued on or after
26 October 1, 1985, requiring equipment capable of operation using
27 alternating current and batteries. Said regulations shall provide the
28 requirements for markings and literature which shall accompany such
29 equipment sufficient to inform the occupants and owners of such
30 buildings of the purpose, protective limitations and correct installation,
31 operating, testing, maintenance and replacement procedures and
32 servicing instructions for such equipment and shall require that smoke
33 detection and warning equipment which is installed in such residential
34 buildings shall be capable of sensing visible or invisible smoke
35 particles, that the manner and location of installing smoke detectors
36 shall be approved by the local fire marshal or building official, that
37 such installation shall not exceed the standards under which such
38 equipment was tested and approved and that such equipment, when
39 activated, shall provide an alarm suitable to warn the occupants,
40 provided each hotel, motel or inn shall install or furnish such
41 equipment which, when activated, shall provide a visible alarm
42 suitable to warn occupants, in at least one per cent of the units or
43 rooms in such establishment having one hundred or more units or
44 rooms and in establishments having less than one hundred units or
45 rooms, it shall install or furnish at least one such alarm.

46 (b) No certificate of occupancy shall be issued for any residential
47 building designed to be occupied by two or more families, or any new
48 residential building designed to be occupied by one or more families

49 for which a building permit for new occupancy is issued on or after
50 October 1, 1978, unless the local fire marshal or building official has
51 certified that said building is equipped with smoke detection and
52 warning equipment complying with the Fire Safety Code."